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Huntington, W.Va.

Absences sour legislative committee visit

By Chris Miller, David A. Jenkins
and Abbey Dunlap
Reporters

"We weren't expecting miracles, but we were at least expecting hope," said Dr. Rainey Duke, chairwoman of University Council.

Similar feelings of anger and hopelessness were vocalized by students, faculty and classified staff members throughout meetings Thursday with the chairman of the Legislature's Joint Committee on Education.

The university community expressed disappointment because only one of four committee members scheduled to attend the meetings was present.

The one who showed up, Delegate Lyles F. Sattes, D-Kanawha, said he didn't know the whereabouts of the committee's other members, delegates John Overington, R-Berkeley; Percy C. Ashcraft, D-Harrison; and John Hoblitzell, R-Kanawha.

Sattes said some members told him they would try to be present at least one

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Rainey Duke

day during the visit, which ends today.

The delegates are scheduled to tour the School of Medicine today and meet with its administrators, deans and faculty.

When a faculty member asked if the absence of the other committee members was indicative of the seemingly low-priority status awarded to higher education, Sattes replied, "Higher education is a high priority of almost all legislators, but it is the top priority of almost no one."

Some faculty members said they believe the legislators are not understanding of the problems they face.

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Duke said. "The thought that only one bothered to come is depressing."

During the meetings, students, staff and faculty members suggested raising taxes and earmarking lottery profits for higher education as ways to generate the additional funds state colleges and universities need.

Repealing the tax-exempt status on unprocessed food, such as food purchased in grocery stores, is one of the revenue-generating options the Legislature will consider when it convenes in January, Sattes said, adding that if such legislation passes, an additional \$80 million would be generated.

Property reappraisal also will generate funds for education, but some faculty members said they doubt

higher education will benefit.

"I have a constitutional obligation to uphold public education," Sattes said. "There's no such mandate for higher education. Besides, it's best in the long run for you to move forward together."

Sattes suggested those interested in higher education try lobbying and brainstorming as solutions to underfunding.

During a meeting between Sattes and the President's Cabinet, Buster Neel, vice president for financial affairs, distributed suggestions for stretching resources further.

Neel's ideas included returning to individual institutions the authority to hire, terminate and reclassify employees as opposed to the current system of waiting for approval from Governor Arch A. Moore's office. He also proposed implementing a lump-sum budget.

While Sattes said many of the suggestions were good, he cautioned, "Things that work if you are running a business don't always work when you're talking about the Legislature."

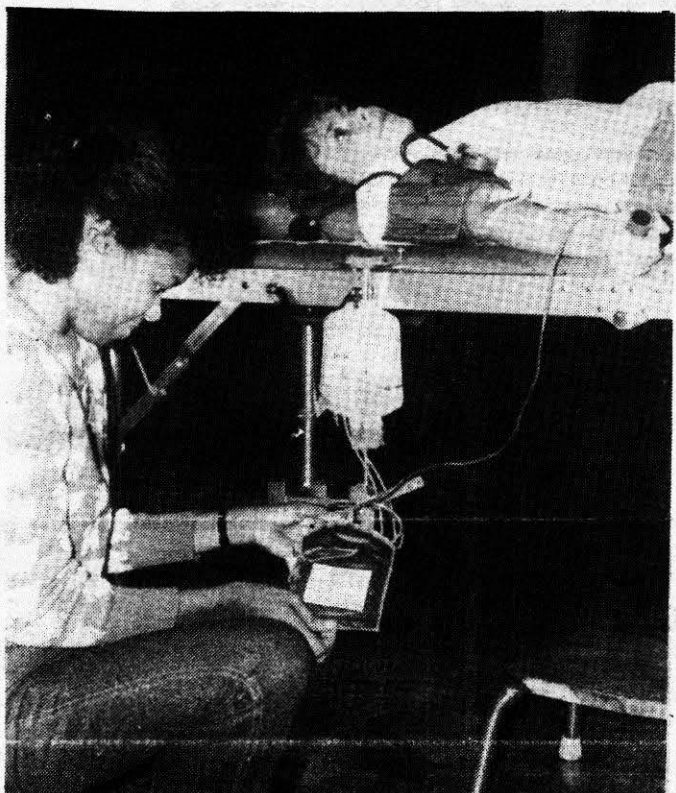
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Bleeding green

MU beats WVU's blood donor challenge

By Chuck Rice
Reporter

Marshall won the WVU/MU Blood Donor Challenge competition for the second year in a row, according to Cheryl Gergely, donor resources consultant.



Staff photo by Ben Petrey

Volunteer Tremaine Oliver, Fayetteville freshman, takes blood from Jane Kniceley, Braxton County junior.

With a total of 216 pints of blood donated versus WVU's 173 pints, Marshall won the blood drive competition held Wednesday and Thursday from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Marshall won the traveling trophy last year, collecting 204 pints of blood, according to Alma Adkins, public relations director for the American Red Cross. Marshall collected 85 pints Wednesday and 131 Thursday. The competition is based on the number of donations from each school divided into its total enrollment.

Students were offered the opportunity to have two citations excused by Marshall Parking if they were willing to donate. Participants were also eligible to register for free tickets to the Marshall/WVU basketball game in December.

"We offer incentives for potential donors, but we never pay cash for blood donations," Adkins said. "It is safer for the recipients and the donors if we don't offer money because people are more likely to lie on their health questionnaires."

Donors were required to be in good health, weigh at least 110 pounds and be between the ages of 17 and 68. Donors were also required to answer questions about their recent medical history. Participants were then weighed, had their temperatures taken and hemoglobin count checked. The donating process lasted from eight to 10 minutes, depending on the individual, according to Adkins. Each donor gave close to one pint.

Several organizations participated in the drive, according to volunteer Kim L. Koon, Fairmont graduate assistant. Representatives from the R.O.T.C., the Student Government Association and Greek organizations were all active. President Dale F. Nitzschke gave permission for faculty and staff to donate during working hours, as long as class schedules were not disrupted.

"I come out to support Marshall in the competition with West Virginia University," said Terry Jeffrey, Barboursville senior. "I have done this before and I keep coming back."

Blood donations collected at the drive will be used to treat patients in the 62 regional hospitals served by the Tri-State Regional Blood Center, Adkins said.

Morning service to mark crash anniversary

By Abbey Dunlap
Reporter

Remembering 75 Marshall football players, coaches and fans killed 16 years ago today will be the focus of a service at 7:30 this morning on Memorial Student Center Plaza.

The 75 died when the jet bringing them back from a game at Eastern Carolina University crashed into a wooded hillside near Tri-State Airport.

Speaking about his memories of those who died will be Nathaniel Ruffin, co-captain of the 1970 team, who missed the ill-fated flight because of an injury.

The service will begin with a presentation of the colors by cadets from Marshall's Army ROTC program.

Rev. Roger Adams of the Campus Christian Center will give the invocation, and music by the Marshall University Mass Choir will follow.

Also during the ceremony, Ruffin and Marshall Athletic Director David T. Braine will lay a wreath at the foot of the Memorial Fountain as a bugler plays taps.

The fountain, built in memory of the crash victims, will be shut off for the season, and the service will conclude with a moment of meditation as the university's carillon plays "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" and "Oh God, Our Help in Ages Past."

Coffee and tea will be served on the plaza after the service, which Student Government is sponsoring.

Begun three years ago, the memorial services have become a traditional way to remember those killed in the crash.

Sports

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Scores

Highlights

Herd ready to thunder for bid in NCAA playoffs

By Todd Shaneshy
Reporter

The dream of a Southern Conference championship is over, but head football coach George Chaump said his team has plenty to play for in the game at 1 p.m. Saturday against Western Carolina University in Collowhee, N.C.

The winner of this game will secure second place in the conference and improve its chances to gain an at-large bid to the NCAA Division I-AA playoffs.

The playoff field has been expanded from 12 to 16 teams this year, with the seven conference champions receiving automatic berths. Two spots are reserved for the top-ranked independent teams, and the remaining seven spots go to at-large teams.

Marshall was knocked out of the Division I-AA Top 20 last week because of its 27-17 loss to Appalachian State University, but an impressive win over Western Carolina could get the Herd a playoff invitation and a shot at the national title, according to Sports Information Director Mac Yates.

"The big thing in all this is winning

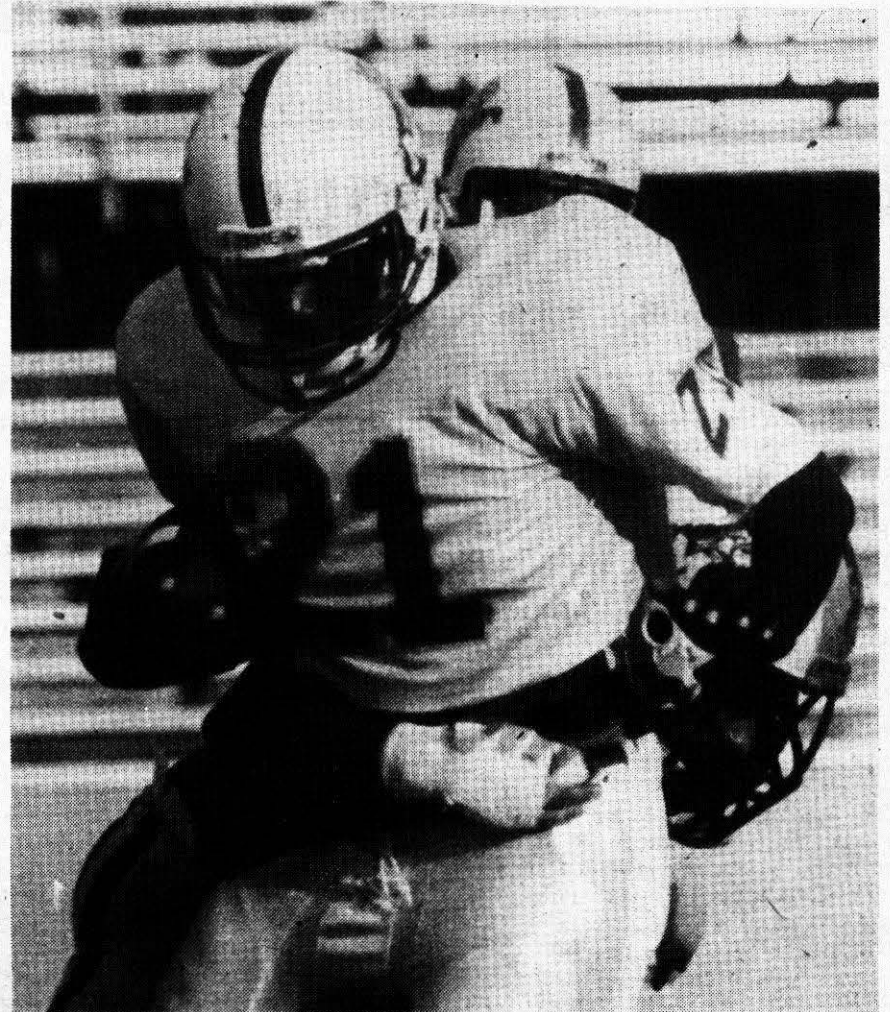
the national championship," Chaump said. "That's what it's all about. The way we are playing now, it would be a shame if we didn't get a crack at it."

Marshall, ranked first in total offense among Southern Conference teams, gained 427 total yards in the loss to Appalachian State. The Herd needs only 97 more yards to set a single-season record in that department.

"I think we're playing the best ball in the Southern Conference right now, and that's something I couldn't say earlier," Chaump said. "We've really moved the ball the last four or five weeks."

Marshall leads the conference with 2,405 yards and 13 touchdowns through the air, and the Western Carolina Catamounts are second with 2,023 yards and nine touchdowns behind the arm of quarterback Willie Perkins.

The Catamounts have played well against the better teams this season, downing Furman University, 19-13, and coming close to Appalachian on opening day, 17-13. However, they were defeated last week, 34-7, by the University of Tennessee-Chattanooga, a team that Marshall trampled two weeks ago, 41-20.



Fullback Jerry Harris.

Staff photo by Todd Shaneshy

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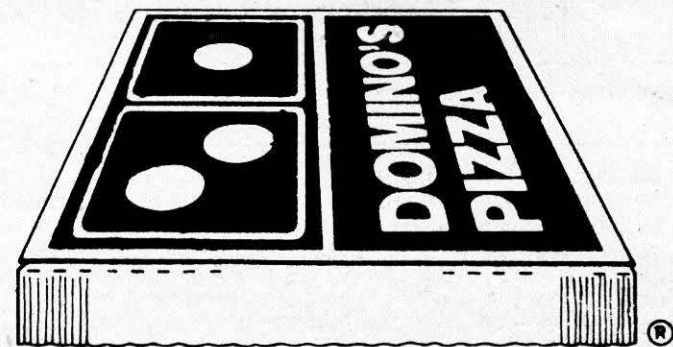
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Cross-country

Teams compete for NCAA meet

By Doug Smock
Reporter

The Marshall men's and women's cross country teams will battle Saturday morning with schools in the Southeast at the National Collegiate Athletic Association District III meet at Furman University in Greenville, S.C.

The teams will be running for the right to compete in the NCAA National Championships Nov. 24 in Tucson, Ariz. In the men's division, the top three teams and top five individuals not on those teams will qualify. On the women's side, the top two teams and top three individuals will advance to Tucson.

District III, one of eight districts in the nation, is made up of 13 southeast states, with 73 Division I schools. Coach Gene Mullen of Furman expects 40-45 teams to show up for the meet.

The men's team comes to Greenville with the newly won title of Southern Conference champions. Marshall Coach Dennis J. Brachna said the team has a realistic chance of finishing in the top three, but must run a great race.

"The guys are definitely ready, both physically and mentally. I told them that just because we don't have a football stadium that seats 75,000, it doesn't mean we can't run with them (in cross country)," Brachna said.

Brachna said Mullen picked Flor-

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Dennis J. Brachna

ida to win the meet, but he looks for Virginia Tech to be the team to beat. The Hokies won the University of Virginia Invitational earlier in the season, with Marshall finishing second. Two other teams, Auburn and South Carolina, finished ahead of Marshall at the Furman Invitational.

If the team comes up short they may place an individual qualifier. Last year, Dave Tabor missed qualifying by nine seconds. Tabor and Todd Crosson, who finished 1-2 two at the conference meet, have a definite shot, Brachna said.

The women's team is running in its first district meet. "It will be a tremendous learning experience," Brachna said. "Realistically, they are not going to qualify. But in the long run, running in the meet with that much competition, will pay dividends."

The Furman course is one of the runners' favorites, according to Brachna. The team ran on the course Oct. 11 in the Furman Invitational, finishing third.

'Strong' Panther team awaits swimmers' visit

By Greg Stone
Sports Writer

Marshall's swim team, after facing a strong Louisville team last week, will again face a large and powerful opponent when they travel to the University of Pittsburgh to meet the Panthers tonight.

The Pitt team, according to swim coach Robert Saunders, is strong in every event but is particularly skilled in freestyle events, the 200-yard breaststroke and diving.

"It's difficult for a school our size to match up with a school like Pitt. They're in the heart of swimming. Pennsylvania's a great swimming state, and they have a good academic reputation that helps them recruit," Saunders said.

Well, why go, then?

"Well, a meet like this gives our better swimmers a chance to compete against some great competition at a big-name school in a nice facility."

Saunders said he is optimistic about

his opening 400-medley relay team, Jon Kidwell in the 200-meter freestyle, Tom Doyle in the 200-meter individual medley and 500-meter freestyle, Paul Graham and Kurt Davis in the 200-meter backstroke and Collin Lo in the 200-meter butterfly.

Lo swam a 2:05.6 last week. Davis finished third last week while Graham swam 2:06.85.

The coach said Doyle needs to break the 4:50 mark in the 500-meter freestyle. Last week the freshman finished in 4:51.77 and would have had a better time, Saunders said, if he had not swum the first 200 yards too hard.

John Blasic, Jeff Marshall and Bill Gleason will probably battle for second in the 200-meter breaststroke, Saunders said. Diver Tommy Stanley will face stern competition from Pitt's divers, while Brian Cruciger and Dan Fuller will see some freestyle action. Fuller placed second against Louisville in the 50-meter freestyle, but will be swimming in one of Pitt's strong events tonight.

Basketball tickets go on sale Monday

Students who purchased student season basketball tickets last year may renew them Monday and Tuesday, according to Therese Tweel, athletic ticket manager.

Those seats not renewed and those not sold last year will go on sale Wednesday through Friday. Cost is \$16,

and includes tickets to the Marshall Memorial Invitational Tournament.

Tickets may be purchased for both individuals and groups at Henderson Center in the ticket office, open from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. A validated Marshall ID and activity card is necessary for each ticket purchased.

Single tickets will be sold Thursday for the MMI Dec. 5-6, and the Dec. 10 game with Ohio University.

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Grace Gospel Church: Independent Baptist, Pastor Dr. Dick Baker. 1159 Adams Ave. Phone 522-8635. Weekly Services: Sunday 10 a.m.; Sunday 6 p.m.; Wednesday 7:30 p.m. Active Colle-

ge/Career Class. Student memberships available. Free transportation. Call for information.

Twenty Six Street Baptist Church: 2510 10th Ave. Hunt. 522-4125. Rev. Basil Hudson, Youth Pastor Billy Graham. Sunday School 9:45 a.m.; Sunday Service 10:45 a.m.; Sunday Evening Service 7:00 p.m.; Baptist Youth Fellowship 7:00 p.m. Wed. Call 522-4125 for Van Pick Up.

Norway Avenue Church of Christ: John W. Miller Sr. Associate Phil Richardson, Campus Minister. 1400 Norway Avenue. Phone 525-3302 (office); Campus Minister 523-9233.

Weekly Services: Sunday 9:30 a.m.; Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m. & 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday Bible class 7:30 p.m.; Student group Thursday 7 p.m. Memorial Student Center 2W37. Transportation: Call 525-3302 for van pick-up points.

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First Church of Christ, Scientist: Eleventh Ave. and Twelfth St. Reading Room, 514 Ninth St. Phone 522-2784. 11-3. Weekly Services: Sunday School 11:00 a.m.; Worship 11:00 a.m., Wednesday Evening Meeting 7:30 p.m.

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State's education below standard — Cole

By Abbey Dunlap
Reporter

West Virginia may be promoted as "almost heaven," but that certainly doesn't apply to the state's system of higher education, according to Board of Regents Chancellor Thomas W. Cole, Jr.

Cole said Wednesday the state's higher education system does not compare with many of the other higher education institutions in the region in many respects. Cole was the guest speaker for Sigma Gamma Rho sorority's Founder's Day program.

Cole said he is encouraged by the thought higher education may have an opportunity to move toward a greater degree of excellence because both the governor and members of the Legislature have said 1987 will be the year for higher education.

"I think higher education is the key to economic development, better living standards and the maintenance of the democratic system," he said.

Problems in higher education are not exclusive to West Virginia, but common to higher education across the nation, Cole said.

Since 1983, a dozen critical reports calling for changes in curriculum, academic standards and administration have been issued indicating Americans are not satisfied with the quality of education in this country, Cole said. "The status quo is not good enough," he said.

In addition, many authorities are charging the mediocrity prevalent in the nation's education system is responsible for the high unemployment rate and the decline in economic development, Cole said.

The American educational system is undergoing drastic changes and the time for improving educa-

tion is now in the midst of upheaval, Cole said.

By the year 1990, the nation's schools will have experienced a 14 percent decrease in students down from a 1970 peak when schools were flooded with students born in the post-war baby boom era, Cole said.

Despite the decrease in overall student numbers, the youth population among Hispanics and Blacks is steadily increasing, he said.

By the year 2000, approximately one-third of all American students will be members of a minority group, Cole said. Yet the number of minority graduates is not proportionate to these increases, he said.

Cole said the answer to adapting to the demographic changes in the student population is not to lower standards, but to increase the effort. "To do so will be to the benefit of all Americans," he said.

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We are a different animal."

Another concern expressed was salary increases. One faculty member said he believed the salary schedule was a promise made to faculties by the Legislature.

But Sattes said the Legislature views the salary schedule as an established goal, not as a promise.

"Classified staff members have a more serious problem than faculty do," Sattes said.

Faculty members also voiced concern over the growing restrictions the governor is imposing on higher education.

One faculty member asked why the Legislature hasn't acted as a watchdog over the executive branch. "Is there any chance you will check the son of a bitch?"

Satte said, "I'd like to move toward greater freedom for colleges and universities. But in some areas, I'm not willing to dictate to the governor. Not because he's right, but because he's the governor. He has to have some powers and flexibility. I'm not willing to make the legislature into the governor," he said.

When Carol A. Smith, vice president for academic affairs, suggested the Legislature consider setting aside funds for a matching grant program,

Sattes said, "That's exactly what we need to do. I think we would be willing to invade the governor's area on that — legislation on that is possible. We'll have to see a package."

Smith said, "Our faculty have the expertise to get major grants and do major things, and if there were a pot of money set aside on the state level, it would be a big boost to the morale."

Sattes said he had concerns over the availability of quality educators in the years to come. "The big problem is teacher education," Sattes said during the cabinet meeting. "We need to find a way to motivate high-quality students to go into education. We need brainstorming from people like you, or else

we'll be in big trouble in 10 or 15 years."

Keith L. Scott, vice president for institutional advancement, told Sattes Marshall will be in good shape for the coming years. "Marshall is better known and respected now than in other times in its history," Scott said, adding that private donations to the university probably will increase substantially again this year.

"Because of quality people and quality programs, Marshall is on a roll," Scott said. "And they think it is worth investing in. I think it will continue."

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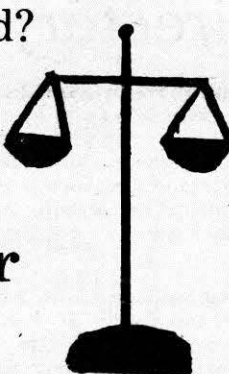
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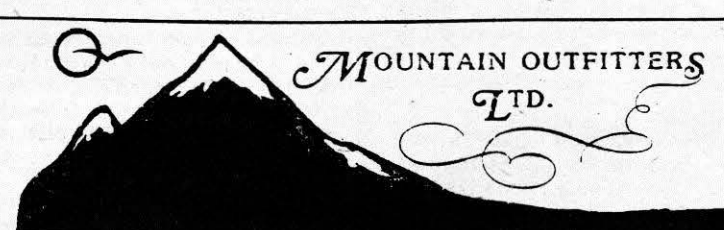




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